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FOR STATE CU HEAN LASHLY PASS SMITHSONIAN BELCHER

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SUBJECT: SMITHSONIAN FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL

1. LUXEMBOURG MEETINGS: RINZLER, LEMPEREUR, WITH U.S. EMBASSY POLITICAL OFFICER, MCCORMICK A) AT MINISTRY OF CULTURE WITH WEBER, PERMANENT SECRETARY MINISTRY OF CULTURE; REILES, REPRESENTING MINISTRY OF EDUCATION; BREMER, REPRESENTING FOREIGN MINISTRY. (1. GOVERNMENT INTERESTED BUT FINANCE MINISTRY MUST ANSWER BY DECEMBER L BEFORE COMMITMENT FROM GOL: (2. TROUPE SUGGESTED BY FORMER AMBASSADOR WAGNER SUGGESTED BY MINISTRY (UUCHT LA VIELLEE) AND REFUSED BY S.I. REPRESENTATIVES AFTER DISCUSSION: (3. LEMPEREUR WILL SHOW '68 FAF FILM TODAY TO SAME GROUP AND RETURN FILM BY MAIL TO S.I. VIA USIS BRUSSELS. B) AT INSTITUT GRAND DUCAL WITH INSTITUT DIRECTOR LUDOVICY AND THREE STAFF MEMBERS INCLUDING KLEES. (1. LUDOVICY FRIEND OF MEISCH - FORMER TEACHER OF AMBASSADOR: (2. STAFF UNAWARE OF ANY SURVIVING PERFORMANCE TRADITIONS BUT WILL ATTEMPT SURVEY ALONG LINES FOLLOWED BY LEMPEREUR IN WALLONIE: (3. IF NO MATERIAL AVAILABLE FROM LUXEMBOURG URGE CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO INCREASE BELGIAN PARTICULARLY AS GOB REQUESTED INCREASE.

2. PLEASE AQK SARAH TO CONTACT SCOTT ODELL, OBTAIN BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON HISTORY FIVE-STRING BANJO FOR OCTOBER 19 COLCERT IF STILL SCHEDULED. PARTICULARLY UNCLASSIFIED

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INTERESTED IN ITS RELATIONSHIP TO AFRICAN "BANJAR". IF

ODELL LACKING, CONTACT HICKERSON, L.C.

3. ARRIVING DUBLIN OCT 9 DUE HOLIDAY ON 13 AND
UNFORESEEN ABQENCE USIS KRENE OCT 10. RETURNING LONDON
13, MADRID 14, LISBON 15, D.C. 16. SPIERS

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